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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.63

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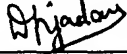


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